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1. ROK NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OFFICIALS HAVE REQUESTED CODEL CONCURRENCE AND/OR COMMENTS ON FOLLOWING PLANS FOR US/ KOREAN PARLIAMENTARIANS DISCUSSION MEETING SIMILAR TO ONE HOSTED BY US CONGRESS IN WASHINGTON LAST YEAR AND NOW SCHEDULED FOR LAST MORNING CODEL VISIT FROM 9:30 AM UNTIL 12 NOON.

A. EITHER SPEAKER CHONG IL KWON OR IN HIS ABSENCE, VICE SPEAKER KIM CHIN-MAN WILL LEAD OFF DISCUSSION WITH BRIEF INTRODUCTORY REMARKS FOLLOWED BY BRIEF RESPONSE FROM CONGRESSMAN O'NEILL.

B. ROK SIDE WOULD THEN LIKE TO HAVE GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THREE TOPICS: NORTH/SOUTH DIALOGUE; SECURITY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA; AND ROK/US ECONOMIC COOPERATION. TO SET STAGE FOR DISCUSSION, ROK SIDE PLANS TO CALL ON THREE OF TWENTY-FIVE OR SO NATIONAL ASSEMBLYMEN THEY EXPECT TO HAVE PRESENT TO MAKE BRIEF INTRODUCTORY STATEMENTS ON EACH TOPIC. OTHERWISE, THEY WOULD LET DISCUSSION FLOW BACK AND FORTH FREELY.

C. UNLESS CODEL WISHES ROKS DO NOT PLAN TO KEEP FORMAL RECORD OF MEETING WHICH WILL BE CLOSED TO PRESS AND PUBLIC. NOR WILL THERE BE ANY COMMUNIQUE.

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2. CODEL VIEWS ALSO REQUESTED ON TOASTS AND PRESS STATEMENTS. ROKS WOULD LIKE AND EMBASSY CONCURS IN EXCHANGE OF TOASTS AT SPEAKER'S AND PRIME MINISTER'S DINNERS AND AT CONGRESSMAN O'NEILL'S LUNCHEON LAST DAY. ROKS ARE NOT PLANNING ON ARRIVAL STATEMENTS AND WE SUPPORT THAT. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT SINGLE CONCLUDING PRESS CONFERENCE BE HELD AT CHOSUN JUST AFTER PARLIAMENTARY SESSION ON LAST DAY OR AT AIRPORT PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.
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